

BOARD OF CORRECTION

"Protecting Idaho through Safety, Accountability, Partnerships and Opportunities for Offender Change"

Robin Sandy Chair Jay Nielsen Vice-Chair J.R. Van Tassel Secretary

Board of Correction Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2011 – 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. MT Idaho Department of Correction 1299 N. Orchard St., Suite 110, Boise, ID 83706

Members Present:

Robin Sandy, Chair J.R. Van Tassel, Secretary Jay Nielsen, Vice-Chair

Comprising a quorum of Board of Correction (Board)

Others Present:

Brent Reinke, Director Kevin Kempf, Division Chief, Operations Teresa Jones, Administrative Support Manager See attached attendance list Debi Jessen, Administrative Assistant Tony Meatte, Division Chief, Management Services

1. Call to order

Chair Sandy called the meeting to order at 11:36 a.m.

2. Introductions

❖ Introductions were made for the benefit of guests attending the meeting.

3. Director's Office update, Teresa Jones

- ❖ Jones provided the Board with an update on the new web site project. It is anticipated that the project will be complete by the end of April 2011.
- ❖ Jones shared that the 3 bills—SB1029 Corrections Board, 1030 Correction Department Personnel System, and 1031 Correction Board Rehabilitation Services—have all been signed by the Governor.
- SB1097 Cost of Pre-sentence Investigation and SB1063 Correction Board/Monthly Contribution have passed both bodies and are awaiting the Governor's signature.
- ❖ Jones shared the Back to Basics schedule for 2011 with the Board and Director Reinke encouraged the Board to attend any of the meetings occurring in their region.

4. Operations Division update, Chief Kevin Kempf

- Chief Kempf updated the Board on the progress of requested changes to Idaho Code 20-209C to allow the Board to designate peace officer status to non-classified employees in addition to classified employees.
- Kempf shared that staff is successfully placing the appropriate offender in the appropriate Pathway treatment module.
- Kempf briefed members on the changes in management; Jim Woolf has accepted the position of warden at the Pocatello Women's Correctional Center. Josh Tewalt will join the Department as a Deputy Division Chief in the Bureau of Prisons; he will begin after the end of the 2011 legislative session.

- 5. Management Services Division update, Chief Tony Meatte
 - ❖ Chief Meatte shared the turnover rate for correctional officers and all other classifications from FY05 through projected turnover numbers in FY11.
 - ❖ Meatte shared the FY12 budget request showing the requests and the appropriations from the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee.
 - ❖ Donaldson updated members on the Correctional Medical Services (CMS) contract audits. CMS has a new regional manager, Tom Dolan, who has implemented new processes to improve services.
 - Donaldson shared the Idaho Correctional Center contract issues and action plans.
- 6. Director's report, Director Brent Reinke
 - Director Reinke updated the Board on the changes in population since the beginning of the fiscal year.
 - * Reinke provided information about the user fees proposed by the Department.
 - ❖ He provided the Board with information on inquiries received by the Department from legislators during this session.
 - Reinke announced to the Board that the Boise Adjustors Association of Idaho presented a check for \$1000.00 to help fund the farm started last year at South Idaho Correctional Institution.
 - * Reinke presented a list of items that the Department is monitoring on an ongoing basis.
 - Reinke presented proposed legislation for sex offender management that is sponsored by the Idaho Criminal Justice Commission (ICJC).
 - Reinke shared the proposed legislation changes to the Idaho Criminal Gang Enhancement Act also sponsored by the ICJC.

7. Adjournment

Secretary Van Tassel motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Vice-Chair Nielsen. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Submitted by:		
Debi Jessen, Administrative Assistant	Date	
Approved by:		
Robin Sandy, Chair	Date	